

**Safety Committee
August 10, 2009
5:00 PM**

Minutes

Call to Order: Mrs. Mershon called the meeting to order.

Roll Call: Present for the meeting today was Mrs. Mershon, Dr. Bender and Mrs. Turner. Also in attendance were Mayor Ebert, Matt Peoples (Public Works) and Sgt. Kern.

Approval of Minutes

Dr. Bender moved to approve the minutes of the June 8th, 2009 meeting; seconded by Mrs. Turner.

VOTES **AYES** Mrs. Mershon, Dr. Bender, Mrs. Turner
 NAYS
 Motion carried

Pended Items:

06-03 Skate Park Update

The specifications have been sent to Mr. Hollins for review. He is working through the reverse internet auction process. The site has been selected at Hanners Park. Mr. Sims is working on a grading plan to allow for the concrete pad. The pad will be 40 X 80, which will be enough space to implement the equipment plan that was most well-liked by the kids in the focus study.

New Items for Discussion:

09-12 Bike Path – Groveport Road

Mrs. Mershon stated there was a gentleman that believes it is unsafe where the bike path comes down to Groveport Road at Thrush and there should be more signage to warn the drivers that a bike path is crossing there.

Mr. Peoples stated that there is a stop sign for the bikes and the greenery has been cut back, but he will take another look at it and monitor the situation. Discussion ensued.

Mr. Peoples also stated that there will be a ribbon cutting on Friday, August 21st, 2009 at 2pm at Hanners Park. Mr. Hoover requested having some runners there for the ceremony.

09-13 Crosswalk – Dietz Road

Mrs. Mershon is concerned about the crosswalk at Dietz / Ashbrook Rd. She doesn't believe that cars stop for people in the crosswalk. She asked if there was a way to mark that better to encourage cars to stop. Sgt. Kern reminded that unless the pedestrian is in the middle of the crosswalk and has given the car reasonable amount of time to stop, the car has the right-of-way. Further discussion ensued.

Fairfield County Sheriff's Report:

Nothing further to add.

Sgt. Kern was asked about the incident at Hanners where kids shooting guns at the concession stands. Three kids were apprehended.

Community Affairs Report:

See written report

Old/New Business:

Dr. Bender stated that Rich Holder was suggesting that the new median was dangerous on Thrush Dr. for those turning off of Groveport Rd. Mr. Peoples stated that reflectors have been placed there to ensure visibility and that when the landscaping is added it will be much more visible. Sgt. Kern added that if someone were to hit the median, they would have to be left of center.

The timing of the light at Columbus / Washington will be looked at to determine if it can be tweaked to ensure ease of traffic flow on Washington Rd. The possibility of several lights within the Village going to flash after 11pm was discussed.

Adjournment

Dr. Bender moved to adjourn the meeting; seconded by Mrs. Turner.

VOTES	AYES	Mrs. Mershon, Dr. Bender, Mrs. Turner
	NAYS	
	Motion carried	

Meeting adjourned at 5:40pm